

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Russ Announce Finnish Peace Terms; Jap Defense Posts Crumble in Pacific; Allied Bombers Hit Fortress Europe, Blast Nazi War Plants, Installations

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Russia—German troops are shown moving back from eastern front in thick, Russian mud. (See: Russia.)

EUROPE:

Pound Plane Plants

Thousands of Allied bombers roared over Hitler's vaunted Fortress Europe striking at Nazi war industries and defense installations while U. S. and British troops slugged it out with the Germans below Rome.

In an effort to cripple Nazi resistance to second-front operations and hammering of European industry, the Allies' big heavies continued to pound at German fighter-plane factories while squads of lighter bombers darted over the English channel to pounce at the enemy's network of defense works in southern France.

At the Anzio beachhead below Rome, Allied troops traded stiff blows with German armored forces punching at the northern and western edges of the U. S. and British positions, while both sides built up reinforcements for the mountain fighting around Cassino.

SOLDIER VOTE: Consider Compromise

Congressional wrangling over the soldier vote resulted in the offer of a compromise proposal under which men and women in the service could use the blank federal ballot with only the name of the party designated if the governor of their state certifies its use.

Before any service personnel could use the federal ballot, however, they must swear that they tried to obtain an absentee ballot from their state by October 1.

Proposed by Representatives LeCompte (Iowa) and Bonner (N. C.), the compromise sought to reconcile those who insist on the states' rights to supervise election laws and others who declare that because of difficult battle conditions a simple ballot should be provided.

RUSSIA:

Finnish Terms

As it was reported that the Finns were prepared to move as many as 1,000,000 people to Sweden if peace negotiations with Russia fail, Moscow publicly announced its terms to Finland.

Terms included: 1. Internment of German troops and ships in Finland; 2. Restoration of boundaries of the 1940 peace; 3. Return of Allied prisoners; 4. Discussion of partial demobilization of Finnish army; 5. Discussion of Finnish reparations for war damages, and 6. Discussion of control over northern Finnish territory.

As Russo-Finnish peace talk stepped in tempo, the Red army continued its drive westward toward the Baltic states of Estonia and Latvia.

U. S. Aid

With its great industrial centers of Stalingrad, Khar'kov, and Stalino, etc., laid in rubble and its vast agricultural belts overrun, Russia's dependence upon the U. S. for continuing effective resistance against Germany was glimpsed in figures released in American aid to the Reds.

Since 1941, lend-lease assistance to Russia included: 7,500 planes; 4,700 tanks and tank destroyers, 170,000 trucks, 35,000 jeeps; 25,000 other vehicles, and 172,000 tons of explosives.

Other assistance: 2,200,000 tons of food; 8,000,000 pairs of boots; 9,000 tons of seeds; 1,350,000 tons of steel; 281,000 tons of aluminum and other metal; 742,000 tons of oil and gasoline; 145,000 tons of refinery equipment, and tire-making machinery with 1,000,000 ton capacity.

HIGHLIGHTS . . . in the week's news

SPEEDBOATS: Speeds of more than 200 miles per hour will be possible for speedboats after the war. G. Wood, noted boat racer and designer, believes. New and lighter metals, more powerful engines and streamlining will accomplish these remarkable speeds. Wood said. The present record, which he holds, is 125 miles per hour set in 1932 with *Miss America X*.

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VITAMIN A: Because of mounting demands, preparations of vitamin A have been placed under allocation to insure equitable distribution. The present rate of consumption will soon eat into the reserves.

IRON ORE: What is termed the "greatest known mass of hard iron ore in the world" in Case peak in Brazil, will soon be yielding iron for

MORE MEAT: Ease Rationing

With production of meat at federally inspected plants reported at 1,665,000,000 pounds for February and with storage plants bulging with meat stocks, civilians' share of the huge supply was increased by OPA's reduction of point values for pork and beef.

Because of the valuation of all stamps at ten points and the use of ration tokens, OPA figured that housewives will be able to buy about 8 per cent more meat in March and April.

As OPA announced the point cuts, the nation's stockyards reported the second lowest cattle receipts since last July, with predictions that the smaller volume will be felt in consumer channels in coming months. Hog receipts went into their usual seasonal decline.

FARM WAGES: Face Stabilization

Because of heavy bidding for available agricultural labor, farm wages may be frozen in many states during 1944, especially for truck gardening. W. T. Ham of the War Food administration's wage stabilization division declared.

Although wage ceilings only were established in California and Florida during 1943 when citrus and asparagus growers competed frantically for pickers, piece work wages paid in other areas tended to draw employees from canneries to the field.

"This year labor will be scarcer and wages will tend to rise on the farm," Ham said. "Growers will be eager to prevent the wages rising beyond reason, and it will be important to keep the farms from robbing the canneries of their help and also from pirating one another's employees. I think wage limitations will be imposed in many states."

CIO:

Red, Lewis Says

Organizer and chief of the CIO before pulling out of it because of differences over political policies, United Mine Worker Boss John L. Lewis declared communists were in control of the CIO's membership.

Said Lewis, whose UMW recently applied for readmittance into the AFL after bolting the CIO: "When I was organizing the CIO we picked up a lot of communists . . . as we grow . . . But if I had not . . . left



Hillman, Lewis and Murray in happier days.

the CIO in 1940 . . . the communists would have been weeded out . . . long before now. Instead . . . Philip Murray (CIO chairman) is today the prisoner of the communists . . . through their seats on his executive committee . . . Sidney Hillman (head of the CIO political action committee) is just as badly off . . ."

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BURMA:

Break Trap

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SOUTH AMERICA:

Trouble Brewing

Even as political boss Col. Juan Peron was being sworn in as Argentina's minister of war by President Edelmiro J. Farrell, a Socialist deputy told the Uruguayan parliament that certain elements presumably within Argentina and Brazil "were intensifying alarming preparations for a clash . . ."

Ultra-fascist Peron's military party affirmed its intention of promoting relations with all friendly powers, after it had ousted ex-President Pedro Ramirez from office following indications that it might declare war on the Axis.

Pledging for hemispheric unity, the Uruguayan deputy declared: "Without any justification, an alliance of two between either nations is being prepared which may be the origin of an American catastrophe . . ."

U. S. JAPS:

Demand Rights

Restoring their rights as citizens and equal opportunity for service and advancement in the military forces were demanded by Jap-Americans of the Granada, Colo., internment camp.

Asking that they be accorded their constitutional privileges, the Jap-Americans demanded that they be allowed to travel and live wherever they choose, with any resettlement policy including adequate government protection and financial aid.

The government also was asked to help distinguish the difference between loyal Jap-Americans and the people of the Japanese empire.

TRUCKS

By April or May production of trucks for commercial use should be in high gear, a survey of Detroit companies reveals. More than 2,600 units for commercial use were made in January, and it is estimated that 3,000 were turned out in February.

One big manufacturer stated that he had to produce 12,000 units for a lend-lease contract. Another plant located in Cleveland reported that it will lease 283 trucks in February for civilian use and that this would be increased to 600 by May.

Washington Digest

Allied Command Aided By French Underground



Quarter of Million Men in France Said to Be Ready, Anxious and Able to Bear Arms Against Germans.

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"Arms are what we want, arms, arms, arms!"

My companion leaned across the table and pounded it with Gallic fervor, his black eyes flashing.

It was our first meeting for more than a year, and I knew that those eyes fixed on me so earnestly had met the light of the desert sun, for he had fought with the Free French Forces under De Gaulle in Africa and had had many an adventure serving his country abroad before he returned for this visit to his temporary home.

"We have a quarter of a million men in the French underground, ready, willing, able and anxious to bear arms—only one out of 20 of those has a single firearm, and that means that while 12 men can harass the German forces, as they are doing every day and every night, despite their inadequate help from the outside, 228 others must sit, twiddling their thumbs. They are getting very tired of waiting but their email would leave them if firearms could be put in their hands. If America will provide them, we will guarantee to get them into France, we will guarantee to transport them and distribute them."

It is very difficult to write of that shadowy world, the European underground, for even the few scraps of information which one might piece together make a dangerous pattern which might bring swift enemy reprisal.

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Indian BEEF

by HAROLD CHANNING WIRE

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LEW BURNETT has been engaged by TOM ARNOLD, owner of the Cross T, to act as trail boss on the drive from southern Texas to Ogallala in the spring of 1945. Tom and his son and daughter, STEVE and JOY, are moving to Wyoming. Tom must deliver 3,000 longhorns to the Indian agent by September 1 or lose a profitable contract. Lew has reason to believe that the Indian Supply Co. is trying to delay the Cross T herd. He suspects that Clay, Steve and ED SPLANN are in some way connected with the company, but he does not wish to make charges until he is sure. The drive gets started, but CLAY MANNING, foreman, and ED SPLANN, a new hand, rebel at Lew's orders.

CHAPTER VI

From the point he saw Steve and Clay and Splann gather far behind him. They rode like that for most of the afternoon.

The two white-topped wagons had vanished early northward over a swell of ground. It was almost dark when he saw Owl-Head's plume of smoke. He waved Joe Wheat up to take his place. To Quartermaster he said, "I'm going on."

There was something he wanted to look at before the longhorns' hoofs tramped out all sign. His knowledge that Cross T horses had been run up Crazy Woman Creek to these plains had gnawed inside of him, its puzzle only half clear. Now a deep notch in the plain's edge to the east marked the entrance to Crazy Woman. While off on his left was the tank, natural hollow covering several acres. It still held enough muddy water, he saw, from the winter's rain, and brought him self to a sudden stop next moment.

It was clear enough in his mind that the Indian Supply herd had needed horses and had got them by trading Cross T stock via the New Mexico exchange. The men who had caught him near Crazy Woman were not only rustlers but part of the Indian Supply crew. Yet what still had no answer was Clay Manning's part in that deal.

Approaching camp where the two wagons had stopped beside the tank's rim, he saw the charred embers of other camps near the cook's fire. Owl-Head rose from stirring something in a Dutch oven and jerked a thumb toward them. "What do you make of that?"

He didn't say. No use spreading what he knew. But Moonlight Bailey, driving ahead of the longhorns with his horse herd, had cut that trail from Crazy Woman. He was riding in between the wagons now, a small brown man with a bullfrog voice.

"By Judas, Lew!" he burst out. "I know where our saddle stock went!"

"All right. Keep it to yourself." "Keep it!" Moonlight's round, simple face turned dusty red. "Tom's ribbed me plenty for losin' horses. If I hadn't listened to Clay, him tellin' me there was no use lookin'—"

"Moonlight," he said, "shut up!" He had seen the canvas of Joy's wagon open. "Now you mind!"

Then he heard her voice behind him. "Lew, come here." He wheeled his horse around. She was sitting on the blankets of her bed, her hat off and her dark hair falling loose.

"What was Moonlight saying?"

"Nothing," he said. "You wrangler sleeps out in the moon too much. He sees things."

"No. It was about the horses and I've been thinking it wasn't possible for twenty or thirty head to vanish the way they did. What has Moonlight found?"

He didn't want to worry her with mysteries, and yet he didn't want this discovery to get back to Clay Manning either. He said, "That's right, it was about the horses. Moonlight thinks he has the answer. I don't think he has. But let it go for now, will you? Don't talk."

She nodded and smiled a little. "I learned to keep things to myself, Lew, long ago. I've had such a good example from you men."

He grimaced, and yet, riding from her, he hated that any doubt and suspicion should begin to trouble her so early on the trail.

Long before Lew felt an uneasiness himself the cattle were smelling something in the air. He had marked six days in his logbook, estimating one hundred miles, when they came that late afternoon to the first stream bed on the plains. Pointing the herd into it, he searched on north for the double mountain landmark and saw only the unbroken horizon hard and sharp against the sky.

There was no warning. One moment all the camp made its picture clear before his eyes. Tom Arnold stood with a tin cup waiting for his coffee. Joy and Steve were sitting on the tongue of her wagon in one of their rare times together. Three dim-shaped riders were coming in for their meal.

The next instant an unseen hand struck the campfire, scattering its red coals outward for a hundred feet. The wagon canvases bellied and slapped the bows like pistol shots. The stars were suddenly gone, and the wind's first roar with its choking dust was something that a man had to lean into strongly.

No one needed his yelled order. Men were already running in the black dark toward their horses. Yet

no sound broke the almost silent thrust of the wind. Here on the flat plain, with nothing to strike against, it made only a thin hiss through the short grass. Then the ragged black pool was ahead of him. He could see the way they had swung south now in the direction the wind was blowing and knew they were held from a run so far because no leader had started it off.

Their tight fear had to be broken. He understood the slim chance a man would have caught in that mass if it jumped suddenly into its blind stampede. But there was no other way; he rode directly in among the hard, unyielding bodies.

The familiarity of a horseman, his voice lifted in a wordless crooning, seemed to ease their dumb brains. They began to move aside. They brought their heads down. He crowded on, weaving toward the middle.

There were other riders around him in the dusty dark. Ghost shapes appeared higher than the ridgepole backs and vanished.

Until after midnight he had a certain hope. These storms came up with the suddenness of a hurricane, then often ended in a short time as abruptly as they had come. But at midnight the wind was still rising with a harder thrust. It would not end soon. By three it was blowing with a strength that made his horse uneasy. He knew the time by the strange unearthly light beginning to show a little of the herd



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around him. Their low-moaning complaint had gone on these hours. They began to move now in a solid way, too tired to stand any longer, too restless to lie down.

Riding back in the first dusty brown light of dawn, he saw that Moonlight Bailey had already met one danger by leading four mares on picket ropes. Most of the horses were crowding up close. They would not desert their ladies. Jim Hope was riding behind them to catch any drift.

From the campfire, loading up his kegs for an early start, Owl-Head yelled, "Breakfast, Lew? Got some beans with plenty of sand!"

He shook his head and rode on where Joy's mules were harnessed. She was up on the wagon seat with a handkerchief across her nose and mouth, ready to drive. He stepped down and led the mules' halter ropes to the tall gate of the chuck wagon. He had to shout above the slapping rattle of canvas. "Get inside!"

Only the blinking squint of her eyes showed over the handkerchief edge. Her voice reached him sternly. "This is my job!"

He moved back to her, head down and leaning against the wind. "You want to go blind?" Sliding his arms under her legs and behind her back, he carried her to the rear end and put her in on the wagon bed. He grinned, feeling the dust dry in his mouth. "You won't miss anything. Don't stick your head out today!"

She pulled the handkerchief down, squinting up at his red-climbed, burning eyes. "Have you had any sleep at all?"

"Sure," he said, "plenty." It was like trying to talk inside of a drum.

Passing the cook again, he shouted, "Keep up close!" A man could lose himself in this smother if he ever missed the longhorns' trail.

In the short time since dawn the herd had drifted more than a mile. He followed their trampled swath and came to the ragged edge of drags. Only a few of their bony rumps showed; all others on either side and up toward the lead were blotted out by the brown dust.

It was not a matter of driving the herd now, but of holding it back. They came on in a solid front, their great horns swinging from side to side as they crowded and spread

out for a distance that he could neither see nor guess. And above the rumble and clack of their walk the open-mouthed groaning rose to a sharper key that turned a man's nerves raw.

He could no longer locate his rock piles; only a slim chance would let him blunder onto the double butte. Each hour he could feel himself being pressed farther into the desert of the Staked Plain, beyond the water that he saw.

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It was Clay next to him. His head turned. The violence of his answer bulged the handkerchief from his mouth. "A hell of a time to think of that! How you going to get us out of this?"

Tight nerves snapped. "Fly out! You got a better way?"

"Did have," Clay flung back. "I was a fool move at the start!"

"Lew?" Tom Arnold thrust himself in front of them. He looked shrunken and dried out. "You got any idea where we are?"

He couldn't have; they knew that. He shook his head and started to say, "All we can do—" A lash of the old man's temper cut him off.

"Then, by God, I'm damned if I know what you're here for! This was no way to come!"

He had no answer; you didn't fight Tom Arnold's temper. It would cool. And he understood the bitterness of what the man could lose. But at the same time he saw the quick vengeance in Clay Manning's blood-shot eyes. He had got in his word with Tom.

There was a horse bolting toward them through the dust. He didn't see for an instant that it was running loose, its head up high searching for the herd, and that a man was hunched over, clinging to the saddle horn with both hands. He grabbed its bridle. The sudden stop flung the rider down into his arms. He pulled the handkerchief off. It was Steve. Both of his eyes were glued shut, the swollen red lids puffed out of their sockets.

Struggling in the wind he brought the stock body up against his head. "Steve!" He yelled. "It's all right, boy. Try to walk!" Close to his side Tom Arnold shouted, "Get him to the girl's wagon!" and reached out to help.

"Don't worry," he said to Joy. "Bathe his eyes and let him rest. He'll be all right." He swung from her and fought back to his horse.

But her look went with him, turning him cold with what it showed. This was what it meant to be a trail boss. Whatever happened he would get a little credit—and all the blame.

Steve, he knew, was only the beginning. By nightfall he had led others one by one back to the wagons. For a short time all the dusty air around him had turned to gold. It was blood red now in the sunset as he crossed the front of the herd, counting his men.

Five were left spaced at far-apart intervals; himself, three older hands, Quartermaster, Joe Whent and Ash Brownstone, and Charley Storms. As he passed each one he warned them, "Don't try to stick it too long."

Sheer fatigue had slackened the pace. It was again a slow walk but as relentless as a powerful machine. Thirst was what drove these animals now, a mad fever that would keep them going until they found water or dropped dead. Their hoarse and frenzied bawling was swept forward around him in waves that rose and fell and sometimes burst into almost human screams.

If he hadn't known this same experience once before he would not believe that men or beasts could hold through another hour. You reached an absolute limit, and then what kept you going he didn't know. Yet his awareness of being dead tired had passed; a dull, slack feeling had come over his body. It was as if he had no weight. He looked both hands on the saddle horn and let his head nod.

Then something wakened him that was like a cold damp rag wiped across his face. It jerked him upright. There was a faint grayness beyond his swollen lids. He was suddenly aware of a strange quiet. Then he saw the cattle, thin line that trailed behind him, shoving their muskets through wet grass.

A drop of water splashed from his hatbrim; he was riding in a misty rain with only a part of the herd that somewhere had split up. There was no wind. He drew his gun, firing it into the air, but had no answer.

Dawn had never made him feel more grateful as he sat waiting while the gray light turned to silver and a little morning breeze sprang up, pushing back the mist. The longhorns were spent. They had halted to stand with drooping heads, soaking the wellness into their hides. The mist rose and became a thick layer, and then a golden sunrise spread beneath it across the level plain.

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THE POLITICAL TREND

This department is not afraid of a Fascist government in America. It's afraid of a Croonist regime. Signs indicate a growing danger.

Down in Louisiana for instance, the next governor, unless all signs fail, will be a fellow who has leaped into fame as a crooner, guitar player and radio entertainer. He is also a Hollywood cowboy actor, which helps when the mob makes an appraisal of the qualities of statesmanship in this gooney era.

Jimmy Davis who goes around with his guitar singing "You Are My Sunshine," "I Maken' No Difference Now," "Nobody's Darling" and a fine selection of corny numbers has won the primary and is as good as elected.

He wanted a moment's talk, somehow the reassurance of other men's words. Bending beside them he said, "We've sure hit a bad one!"

This is an age of screwball tastes and if the G.O.P. fails to lick Roosevelt it had better run Sinatra and Crosby.

Statesmanship is of no account today if it doesn't record well for juke boxes.

Public leadership cannot quickly be established in America without a good list of ballads, some musical instrument and a mike. In Lincoln's day it was "From log cabin to White House." Today it's "From Pistols Packin' Mommer" to Any Office Within the Gift of the People!"

What a candidate used to do with oratory and statement of beliefs he now does with "Milkman, Keep Those Bottles Quiet!" and "All or Nothing at All."

Both Wendell Willkie and Tom Dewey are making a fatal political mistake in not proclaiming their candidacy through a rendition of "Mafzy doots and dozy doots" and "Hiddle lambzy dively."

Years ago in order to get the votes for public office in this country a man had to have solid opinions, some experience in public office, a platform and an opinion on the tariff. Now all that is necessary is a Crossley rating.

Down in Texas the question right now is not "What experience has he ever had in government?" but "How many records did he make in the last year?"

You can fool all the people some of the time and some people all the time; and, with a good radio personality and a fair musical routine, you can fool all the people all the time.

THE BEACH BELOW ROME

Anzio: Just another coastal town! A fair sort of vacation place, sleepy now in winter drabness. A no-account spot in a long war. That's what you thought, Joe. Maybe, crashing through it, you called it a bum town. Well, you were right in a way. Two great bums lived there once. Couple of guys named Nero and Caligula!

Nero and Caligula, two of the great bums of history. Bums with color and class, but murderers and torturers and tyrants to a fare-thee-well. They were born around Anzio. The name of the town was changed on 'em to get rid of the bad taste. Maybe, on a pass from hell, their spirits stood there in the shadows along the beaches when the Yanks landed. They were big, noisy brutal guys, Joe, but craven against odds. They must have been pretty scared when they saw you Yanks leaping ashore from landing craft.

Nice guys, Nero and Caligula. They poisoned their wives and kids, when they couldn't devise something rougher. They were close to all-time tyrants, but in points they didn't rate up with certain top Nazis. The people caught up with them in time and they got the works. If alive today they would have been strong along with Adolf and Benito and Hermann. They were the type. They liked to torture the weak and let the helpless around.

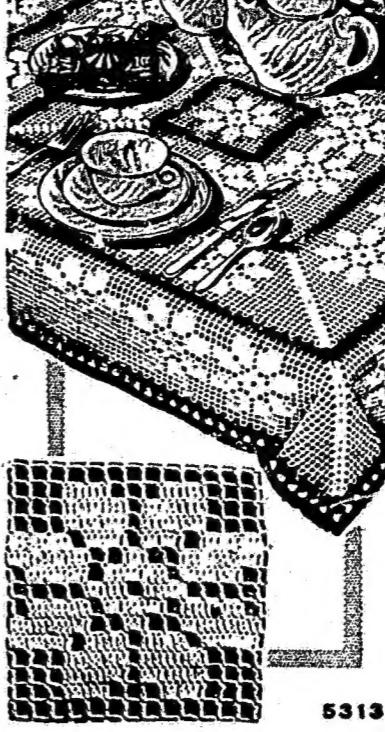
Once Caligula held a public banquet in the middle of a bridge for the fun of seeing it collapse, drowning the merrymakers. Hitler would have liked that. Caligula did crazy things. He once appointed his horse consul.

You know all about Nero, Joe. He was the swastika type. Sweet boy, Nero! He poisoned his own mother for what you would call "a dame." He killed his own wife.

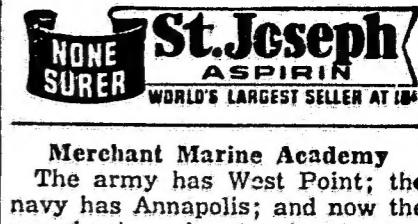
A star, Nova Pictoris, has just blazed up. Looking down on earth, a star's indignation must be pretty close to the exploding point most of the time these days.

Some suggestions were recently made to our airmen that they cut out the highly suggestive names painted on some bombers. They were too rough. We have just heard of one result. One of the bombers that has been doing terrific banting over Germany bears the name "Wabbit Twacks."

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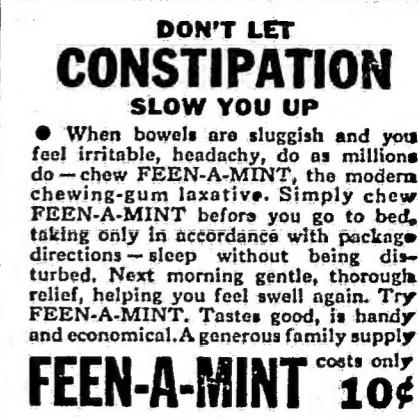


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Merchant Marine Academy

The army has West Point; the navy has Annapolis; and now the merchant marine, too, has its own academy at King's Point, N. Y.



Early Stained Glass

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THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 1944

HANOVER

Correspondent
Mrs. W. W. Worcester

Mrs. Marjorie Cummings, also Parker Russell, attended the church meeting at Dwight Elliot's Tuesday of last week. Business of the church was discussed also the buying of new hymn books. The following committee was appointed to look after the same—Mrs. Barbara Ellingwood, Mrs. Louise Elliot, Mrs. Florence Goddard and Miss Susan Martin.

A meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Grace Russell Wednesday afternoon of last week in the interests of the Red Cross drive which is to be held soon. George H. Dyer, chairman of the drive, Mrs. June Hunter and Robert Harron of Rumford were the speakers. The quota for this town is \$100.

Mr. and Mrs. C. U. Worcester were recent supper guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Parker Russell.

W. C. Holt was in town Friday of last week.

George, Ervin and Donald Cole of Rumford Point have been visiting the ice house at Indian Root Camp at Howard's Lake for Frank Morrison. The ice had to be hauled, one cake at a time, on a hand-truck as a team could not be driven to the camp on account of the deep snow.

Mrs. Marjorie Cummings and Mrs. Una Stevens attended the Farm Bureau meeting held at Mrs. Edith Thurston's, Ellis River, Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wallace Thomas and son, Irene from Mexico were recent Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Croteau spent the week end at their home here.

Mrs. Ann Cummings was in Bethel over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cummings remained at home Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Barker, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Russell and Mrs. Mahel Worcester, in honor of Mr. Cummings' mother, Mrs. Clara Rayford of South Paris, who was a week end guest at their home. Refreshments were served. Mrs. Rayford, whose birthday was on Feb. 29, was presented a birthday cake made by Mrs. Cummings.

Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Mahel Worcester and B. J. Russell, also Mrs. Ella Russell and Chester Cummings.

WEST BETHEL

Mrs. Gordon Mason spent the week end in Bethel. Mrs. Mason teaches in Connecticut.

Roland Kneland is confined to the house by illness.

Mrs. Eva Carter has resigned her position as teacher in the grammar school and the upper grades will attend the grammar school at Bethel beginning next week.

Mrs. Vera Cross, who is working for Mrs. Clarence Rolfe, spent the week end at her home in Locke Mills.

George Gilbert has been spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gilbert.

Mrs. Gilman Hutchinson is visiting relatives in Portland.

Hilda Hutchinson, who has been ill, is able to be at work in the mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Smith are attending Farm and Home Week at town. Miss Hope Wheeler is assisting with the housework at their home while Mrs. Smith is away.

SONGO POND

Abner Hinckley received a fall last week requiring a doctor. He is up and around again now.

Uncle Deacon has returned from Lewiston where he has been visiting the brother, Arthur, and family.

Bob Murphy is still very ill.

Lucie Johnson has sold out her home in Franklin and is staying with relatives this week.

Mrs. Ethel St. Hilaire and Evelyn Burt are here and are visiting relatives in Waterford.

Mr. & Mrs. Edmund Hinckley spent one day last week with his sister, Mrs. Helen Hinckley of Bethel. Mrs. Hinckley was in Bethel Saturday.

WEST PARIS

Mrs. Geneva Tuell, Correspondent

The L. C. Bates Men's Club will hold their monthly meeting at the home of Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes Tuesday evening, March 14. The Glad Hand Club will serve a penny lunch.

The Friendly Class of the Universal Church met at the home of Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes Thursday afternoon with 25 members present. A penny lunch was served after the meeting for the benefit of their work among the sick and shut-ins.

The Women's Alliance of the Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. John Ross Friday. Twenty-four were present for supper.

Mrs. Elva Ring and granddaughter, Felicia Collette, were guests of Mrs. Ernest Smith and family at South Portland Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Merton Curtis is ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. Ethel Penley is visiting her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Penley, at Lewiston.

L. H. Penley has purchased the former post office building on Main Street.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lane of Gardiner, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lane of Berlin, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Farmer of Manchester, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Durward Bean of South Paris were week end guests at their father's, W. C. Lane's. Mr. Lane suffered a shock about three weeks ago. Arthur Wight of South Paris was also a guest.

Lewis J. Mann from Portland spent the week end with his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Odell C. Rich Jr.

Mrs. Roxanne Inman and Mrs. Lena Dean are co-chairmen for the Red Cross War Fund Drive.

EAST BETHEL

Mrs. Dana Harrington and Mrs. Charles Smith were in Lewiston Saturday to visit Mrs. Maxton Olson and baby daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Douglass took their daughter Mary to Upton for a few days visit. Mary goes to school here and boards with Mrs. Harrington.

Warren Smith spent two days with his brother, Charles Smith and family. They carried him to Portland Monday and he returned to Massachusetts.

Stephen Abbott, Fred Haines and son Freddi have been ill with the prevailing epidemic of flu the past week.

Mrs. Barbara and Virginia Hastings, Deborah Farwell and Isabel Kimball spent the week end with Miss Mary Toft in South Portland.

Alder River Grange held a regular meeting Friday evening. Two applications for membership were received.

GREENWOOD CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Leonas Holt spent the week end with relatives at South Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morgan called on Mr. and Mrs. Montie Miller at Tabbs District Monday evening.

The card party at the school house on Saturday evening was well attended.

Robert Morgan called on his sister, Mrs. Linnie Ring, at Bryant Pond on Monday.

Members of the Farm Bureau met with Mrs. Chester Morey at Tabbs District on Wednesday.

Supt. Carrie Wight was in town on Friday.

The card party at the school house on Saturday evening was well attended.

Mrs. Inez Whitman, Correspondent

Mrs. Myrtle Hayes is very sick at her home and cannot receive callers at present.

Mrs. Herbert Meserve is gaining slowly at the Rumford Community Hospital.

Fred M. Cole, Town Treasurer, is on the sick list.

Miss Mona Twitchell of South Portland was a week end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Twitchell.

Town meeting, held at the Grange Hall, passed off fine with nearly the same officers as last year. Franklin Grange furnished a dinner and there was a good attendance at the town meeting and the dinner.

Walter Davis is slowly gaining from the amputation of his leg at the C. M. & Hospital. Mr. Davis has received many cards from his friends at Bryant Pond and other friends. He recently celebrated his birthday.

The William E. Haskell Mission to men at the home of Mrs. Verena Hinckley Tuesday evening, Feb. 24, with a good attendance. Several speakers and a program were enjoyed and all members took a part. Refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Cummings and son Marion returned to Bethel after spending a few days at their home with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cummings and Mr. and Mrs. John Ross.

WARRANT FOR CORPORATION MEETING

To D. Grover Brooks, Clerk of Bethel Village Corporation, County of Oxford, State of Maine.

Greeting:—In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Corporation, in Bethel, qualified to vote in Corporation affairs to meet in the Corporation Building, situated in District No. 15, on the 13th day of March, A. D. 1944, at half past seven o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to-wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To hear and act on the report of the Assessors, Tax Collector, Engineers, Treasurer.

Article 4. To choose Assessors for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To choose a method of collecting taxes for the ensuing year.

Article 7. To establish the price to be paid for collecting taxes, for ensuing year.

Article 8. To choose a Tax Collector, for the ensuing year.

Article 9. To choose three Fire Engineers for the ensuing year.

Article 10. To choose one member of the Park Commission for three years.

Article 11. To see what sum of money the Corporation will vote to grant and appropriate for Miscellaneous expenses for the ensuing year.

Article 12. To see what sum of money the Corporation will vote to grant and appropriate to pay the members of the Fire Department and expenses of fires for the ensuing year.

Article 13. To see what sum of money the Corporation will vote to grant and appropriate for the employment of Special Police for the ensuing year.

Article 14. To see what sum of money the Corporation will vote to grant and appropriate to pay for lighting the streets for the ensuing year.

Article 15. To see what sum of money the Corporation will vote to grant and appropriate to pay the Bethel Water Company for the use of hydrants for the ensuing year.

Article 16. To see what sum of money the Corporation will vote to grant and appropriate for the Special Fire Alarm Account.

Article 17. To see what sum of money the Corporation will vote to grant and appropriate for the Hose Fund for the ensuing year.

Article 18. To see if the Corporation will vote to install Street Light on the corner between Dr. Brown's Office and Burns' Red & White Store.

Article 19. To see what sum of money the Corporation will vote to grant and appropriate for the use, and care, of a Dump for the ensuing year.

Article 20. To see if the Corporation will vote to authorize the Assessors to sell the Time Clock and Station Boxes for a price to be decided upon by the Assessors.

Article 21. To see if the Corporation will vote to pay for the bonds of the Treasurer and Tax Collector and charge same to the Miscellaneous Account.

Article 22. To see what sum of money the Corporation will vote to grant and appropriate for maintenance of a public Skating Rink for the ensuing year.

Article 23. To see if the Corporation will vote to grant and appropriate the sum of \$52.15 to take care of abatements as made by the Assessors.

Article 24. To see what sum of money the Corporation will vote to grant and appropriate for the care of Parks for the ensuing year.

Article 25. To see what sum of money the Corporation will vote to grant and appropriate for the trimming of trees over the village streets for the ensuing year.

Article 26. To see if the Corporation will vote to close their books on December 31 of each year instead of the present time of closing.

Article 27. To see if the Corporation will vote to instruct the Moderator or Assessors to appoint a Committee of five or more citizens to investigate and make recommendations at a later meeting to be called by the Assessors when the above named Committee is ready to report, on traffic and parking regulations to be adopted by the Corporation and to be enforced within the limits of the Corporation.

Article 28. To see if the Corporation will vote to make my repairs on the lower Corporation Building.

Article 29. To see what sum of money the Corporation will vote to grant and appropriate to care for Article 28 above.

Article 30. To see if the Corporation for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to, and for the use of, the Bethel Village Corporation to pay indebtedness of said Corporation due and to become due during the present municipal year the same to be paid out of money raised by taxation during the present municipal year, will authorize and

Article 31. To see if the Corporation will vote to authorize the Assessors and Treasurer of said Corporation to sell and convey real estate owned by the Corporation under Tax deeds or Tax liens to such persons and for such prices, and upon such terms as said Assessors and Treasurer in their judgment and discretion may determine for the best interest of the Corporation and to execute in behalf of the inhabitants of said Corporation such deeds or other instruments of conveyance as may be required to complete such sales and conveyances.

Article 32. To act upon any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Direct its Treasurer to borrow from time to time a sum or sums of money, not exceeding \$4,000 and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the Corporation therefor signed by its Treasurer and countersigned by the Assessors of the Corporation.

Article 33. To see if the Corporation will vote to authorize the Assessors and Treasurer of said Corporation to sell and convey real estate owned by the Corporation under Tax deeds or Tax liens to such persons and for such prices, and upon such terms as said Assessors and Treasurer in their judgment and discretion may determine for the best interest of the Corporation and to execute in behalf of the inhabitants of said Corporation such deeds or other instruments of conveyance as may be required to complete such sales and conveyances.

Article 34. To act upon any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

Given under our hands, this fourth day of March, A. D. 1944.

ERNEST F. BISBEE
ARTHUR F. FOGG
NORMAN H. HALL

Assessors of Bethel Village Corporation

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either

of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court held at Paris,

in and for said County, on the

third Tuesday of February, in the

year of our Lord one thousand

nine hundred and forty-four, from

day to day from the third Tues-

day of said February. The follow-

ing matters having been presented

for the action thereupon herea-

fter indicated, it is hereby Or-

dered:

That notice thereof be given to

all persons interested, by causing

a copy of this order to be published

SCHOOL DAYS

By DWIG



RECIPROCITY

ALBANY TOWN HOUSE —

Mrs. Annie Bumpus, Correspondent
Pamela LaFrance from Norway

was a guest of Lona Keniston Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews and

children and Mrs. L. J. Andrews

were in Norway on business Saturday.

Rev. W. I. Bull conducted the

Church Service Sunday afternoon

with an attendance of four.

E. C. Lapham and son Warren

were in Lewiston Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews and

son Linwood visited at Mr. and

Mrs. Will McAllister's Sunday.

Alta Morrell of Bethel spent the

week end with Muriel Lapham.

Edwin Bumpus spent Sunday

night with Donald Lord at Bethel

and attended the 7th grade snow-

shoe hike to Devil's Kitchen.

Mrs. Lloyd Keniston and son

Lloyd, who have been spending

several days at E. C. Lapham's,

returned to Rumford Thursday.

The Albany school children at-

tended the movie, "My Kingdom

for a Cook" after school Thursday.

Miss Pearl Daye of Bethel spent

Monday night with Miss Marion

Lapham.

Carroll Buck has bought a bi-

cycle from Edwin Bumpus.

FRANKLIN GRANGE

Franklin Grange of Bryant Pond

met Saturday evening, March 4,

with a good attendance. All offi-

cers were present except Pomona.

The office was filled by Mrs. Lou-

cie Sweetser. The first and sec-

ond degrees were conferred on Mrs.

Kathleen Cox, Irving Cushman,

Samuel Sweetser, J. Francis Howe

and Millett Coffin. Tableaux were

arranged by Mrs. Flora Cole. Mrs.

Ella Bowker of Milton Plantation,

passed away Saturday morning.

Fred Cole and Mrs. Myrtle Hayes

were reported on the sick list.

The mystery box went to Chester

Bean. Ice cream was on sale af-

ter the meeting.

SOUTH BETHEL

Leah Spinney was in Portland

Saturday and returned home with

Mr. Spinney.

Florence Hewey, Mabel Kirk and

Mildred Cummings of Locke Mills

were in Rumford Wednesday on

business.

Mrs. James Spinney was in

Norway Monday.

Little Kenneth Mason has re-

turned to school after being sick

for quite a while.

Several from here attended town

meeting Monday.

Dan Hinckley has purchased some

property at the top of the hill from

Mr. Chadbourn.

Horace Tibbets, Florence Hewey

and wife, Helen Bumps, were

in Locke Mills Sunday visiting

friends.

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CHOCOLATE 1/2 lb. cake 19c
RED & WHITE
JELLY 12 oz. jar 28c
BETHLEHEM BEST Y. E. or Kidney
BEANS 2 12 oz. pkgs. 25c
RED & WHITE
TEA BAGS 16 bag pkg. 14c
RED & WHITE
TOWELS 2 rolls 21c
BRIMFUL
WINDOW WASH 2 bots. 25c
OUR VALUE Sweet
PEAS 2 No. 2 cans 27c

BLUE & WHITE Cat Refugee
BEANS 2 No. 2 cans 27c
SWEETHEART
TOILET SOAP 2 bars 15c
RED & WHITE Free Runn.
SALT 2 lb. pkg. 7c
RED & WHITE
SHORTENING 3 1 lb. pgs. 59c
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VANILLA or LEMON bot. 29c
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GILEAD

John McBride, who is spending the winter at the Ingalls Farm, Shelburne, N. H., visited friends in town Monday.

Mrs. Helen Baker was a recent visitor in Berlin, N. H.

Mrs. Florence Holder visited friends in Gorham, N. H., Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Garey of Poland Springs attended the funeral services of Mrs. G. E. Leighton Monday.

Mrs. Ruby Hunter of Shelburne, N. H., was a visitor in town last week.

A. J. Blake of Island Pond, Vt., was a recent visitor in town.

Mrs. Warren Noyes, who has been a patient at the Clinic Hospital, Berlin, N. H., for several days, has returned to the home of her sister, Mrs. Russell Cole, for a few days before leaving for her home in West Burke, Vt.

Mrs. Alice Scofield of Portland was a recent visitor in town.

Mrs. Elizabeth Fraser of Portsmouth was called here last week by the death of her grandmother, Mrs. George Leighton.

Mrs. Josephine Cole has returned to her home in Gray.

SCHOOL SAVINGS

Week of March 6

Grade	Sav.	Bank Total	Per Cent
I	\$5.00	\$4.90	89
II	2.00	3.05	67
III		2.85	61
IV	2.00	1.45	61
	\$9.00	\$13.15	
V	\$3.00	3.00	73
VI	5.00	2.65	50
VII	5.00	2.25	55
VIII	1.00	2.40	70
	\$14.00	\$11.20	
Grades I and V have the banner.			

UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Correspondent

Cpl. Howard Douglass of Camp Westover, Mass., accompanied by

Mrs. Elsie Douglass and daughter

Anne of Natick, Mass., and daughter

Mary Ellen of East Bethel, spent his short furlough with his mother, Mrs. Lettie Douglass, one day last week.

Mrs. Doris Fraser is helping

Mrs. Fred Bennett of Magalloway

during illness in their family.

Miss Phyllis Williamson of So.

Portland spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Esther Williamson.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Durkee took

Sunday dinner with Mrs. Esther Williamson and Mrs. Doris Fra-

There was a good attendance at the town meeting dinner. The proceeds of \$17.10 goes to the Red Cross.

Mrs. Rose Reed of Errol, N. H.,

was the guest of Mrs. Claude Col-

lins a few days last week.

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HEBERT—NEWELL

Mrs. Dorothy Newell announces

the marriage of her daughter, Margaret, of West Peru to Alfred

A. Hebert, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Antonio Hebert of Long Pond, Maine.

The wedding took place Feb. 25 in Rumford at the home of Rev. A. A. Callaghan. The guests

present were the bride's mother, Mrs. Dorothy Newell, and the groom's sister, Miss Theresa Hebert of Long Pond, Maine. Mrs. Hebert will reside at West Peru and Mr. Hebert has gone to Indiana, soon to be sent overseas.

PIPES

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COOKIES

and

CRACKERS

FARWELL & WIGHT

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NORTH NEWRY

The Church Circle of Newry furnished a baked bean and pastry dinner for about 50 at town meeting Monday. Very few changes were made in town officers this year. H. H. Morton, who has served as road commissioner for a number of years was elected but declined to serve. Fred Wight was elected in his place. R. L. Foster was chosen road commissioner for Sunday River. Six pupils, who are in the eighth grade in Newry, school attended town meeting, which has been the custom for several years. They were the Misses Barbara Learned, Barbara Waite, Naomi Enman, and Irene Richard; Paul Wight and Gordon Brown. Mrs. Ida Wight, committee for the Red Cross drive, received contributions during the day. Newry's quota is \$160.

Bear River Grange will hold a meeting Saturday evening, March 11, with a whist party afterward.

William Walker has purchased the Bert Harlow place in Newry.

L. E. Wight, Roy Bennett, Kenneth Vail, John Vail and Fred Wight were in Bethel Tuesday.

A whist party will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Morton Friday night, March 10, the proceeds to go to the Red Cross Fund.

March 26

the rates for Postal Money Orders increase.

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WANTED—Pro-War Baby Stroller, Kiddie Kar, Doll Carriage. Inquire at Citizen Office. 9p

WANTED—Mold to work in dormitory at Gould Academy. Call 131 or see Mrs. Estelle Goggin. 74p

Leads Shoes at Chamberlin's Store for repair and clothes to clean Wednesday and Saturday. EXCEL CLEANSERS AND DYES, INC., Auburn, Maine. 44p

LEAVE SHOES AT EARL DAVIS for repair. RICHIE'S SHOE SHOP, Gorham, N. H. 40p

LOST

LOST—"A" Gas Station Book. ROBERT D. HASTINGS, Bethel. 20p

LOST—Ration Books 3 and 4. EVERETT COLE, Bethel. 10p

BORN

In Portland, Feb. 9, to Mr. and Mrs. Riley Reynolds, a daughter, Sandra.

MARRIED

At Rumford, Feb. 25, by Rev. A. A. Callahan, Miss Margaret Nowlin of West Peru and Alfred A. Chert of Long Pond, Maine.

DIED

In Portland, March 4, Perley B. Bennett, native of Gilhead, aged 61 years.

In Bethel, March 5, Mrs. Belle P. Hutchinson, aged 78 years.

In East Bethel, March 7, George K. Hastings, aged 80 years.

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

METHODIST CHURCH
BETHEL TEMPLE
M. A. Gordon, pastor

9:45 Church School. Miss Minnie Wilson, supt. Everyone, old and young, should attend.

11:00 Sunday Morning Worship. Special singing by choir. Mrs. Mildred Lyon, organist. Subject of sermon, "The Point in the Circle." Short business meeting.

2 p. m. Choir rehearsal. (Easter music and songs)

6:30 Youth Fellowship. Leader, Mary Wentzell. Book Review, "The Robe" by Mrs. Tibbets. Everyone welcome.

The Women's Society of Christian Service meets Thursday afternoon for a St. Patrick's Silver Tea at the home of Mrs. Alma Thurston.

I am the Lord, and there is none else. There is no God beside me; I girded thee, though thou hast not known me. Isa. 45:5.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. John J. Foster, Minister
9:45 Church School. Classes for all ages. Miss Ida Packard, Superintendent.

11:00 Morning Worship. Sermon Topic, "The Disturbing Jesus." Children's Story—"Stick-to-it-iveness."

6:30 The Pilgrim Fellowship will be guests of the Epworth League at the Methodist Church this Sunday evening at 6:30. Mrs. Tibbets will review "The Robe" by Lloyd C. Douglas.

The Ladies Club will meet Thursday, March 16th, at 3:00 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Ireland. Mrs. Goggin will talk on "War Rationing" and give us some late recipes.

New members will be received into our church on Easter Sunday morning. If you desire to join speak to the minister.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Services Sunday morning at 10:45.

"Substance" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon that will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, March 12.

The Golden Text is: "The invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead" (Romans 1:20).

The citations from the Bible include the following passages: Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall be old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner, but my salvation shall be forever, and my righteousness shall not be abolished" (Isaiah 51:6).

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Wednesday evening meeting on second Wednesday of each month

THE BRYANT POND BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Franklin K. Chaffee, Pastor
Morning Worship, 10:30. Sermon, "Getting the Right View of Things" Text, Jeremiah 1:12.

Sunday School, 11:45. Juniors

3:00 Young People, 7:00; Evening Service, 7:30.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at the parsonage.

Adult Choir Friday evening.

Ladies Aid will meet Tuesday, March 14, with Mrs. Evelyn Far- num

SUNDAY RIVER

Mrs. Nettie Fleet went to Bethel Monday also called on Mrs. John Nowlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Williamson of Portland were in town over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nowlin attended the reception given Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Nowlin Saturday evening.

Mrs. John Nowlin, daughter, Marjorie and Florence, and Mrs. Irene Powers were in Portland Thursday where Florence had a check up on her knee and found it much better although it will still be some time before it is well.

Mrs. Jessie Reynolds spent a few days in Portland recently visiting her sons and families.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Reynolds are in strong congratulation on the birth of a daughter, Feb. 26, Mrs. I. D. Dunbar.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Powers are in Rumford Monday

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When Your

*Back Hurts -

And Your Strength and

Energy is Below Par

It may be caused by disorder of the kidney that permits calcium waste to accumulate, for the kidney is the chief excretory organ. It is when the kidney fails to remove excess acids and other waste matter from the blood.

You may suffer from backache, rheumatic pains, headache, stiffness, pain in the legs, swelling of the feet, etc. These are all symptoms of kidney trouble.

With rest, diet and treatment it can often be cured. If you have any of these symptoms, see your doctor.

For further information, write to

DOAN'S PILLS

Red Cross Asks \$200,000,000 To Cover Wartime Needs

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Confronted with responsibilities of unprecedented proportions, as the war enters its most crucial stage, and with a staggering task ahead in the post-war period, the American Red Cross opens its 1944 War Fund appeal March 1, confident that the American people will respond to the limit of their ability.

President Roosevelt, president of the American Red Cross, Norman H. Davis, chairman and active head of the vast organization, and Leon Fraser, national War Fund chairman, join in urging the people of this country to help Red Cross reach its national objective of \$200,000,000 because of the vital part it must play within the next twelve months.

Chairman Davis, in opening the campaign, will stress the fact that with the decisive stage of the war at hand, the Red Cross must assume a greater burden than ever before, and at the same time must provide aid to servicemen being returned in ever-increasing numbers.

Red Cross operations over the entire world during 1943 have dwarfed its activities during the first two years of war.

An even greater burden will be placed on Red Cross services in 1944. Thousands of American men and women are now in Red Cross service with U. S. troops at home bases and overseas. Field directors, hospital, club and recreation workers are with American armed forces in virtually every command. Mr. Davis asserted.

Both in Europe and in the Far East, Red Cross workers have either gone with invasion forces into new combat areas, or have followed within a very limited time.

On the home front, the Red Cross has broadened its service.

TOWN MEETINGS

GILEAD

Moderator—Floyd Mason

Clerk—Thelma L. Witter

Selectmen—Geo. Daniels, Floyd

Mason, Joseph LaPointe

Treasurer—Goldie Wight

Collector—Helen C. Daniels

Rate paid Collector—0.18

Road Comm.—Russell Cole

School Comm.—Mary Cole

Appropriations

Roads and bridges \$100.00

Snow removal 400.00

Common schools 600.00

Support of poor 700.00

Police 500.00

Interest 250.00

Road patrol 469.20

Public health nurse 15.00

Miscellaneous account 350.00

Total appropriations \$4,908.20

tremendously. Field directors are serving in every sizable military establishment and camp throughout the country, and recreation and social service workers are located in Army and Naval hospitals.

One of the most important and necessary war-time Red Cross functions has been the collection of blood for plasma. Thirty-five blood donor stations are now operating.

The dramatic story of the Red Cross Blood Donor Service, through which thousands of soldiers and sailors have been saved from death, began in February, 1941, when the Surgeon General of the Army and Navy asked the Red Cross to procure 15,000 pints of blood. Last year more than 3,700,000 pints of blood were collected for the Army and Navy. This year the goal is more than 5,000,000 pints.

With major battles of the war yet to come, the Army has asked the Red Cross to supply many millions of surgical dressings. American men wounded in battle will depend greatly on the vast Red Cross surgical dressing production program.

Numerous other Red Cross home operations, such as Prisoner of War packaging centers, where more than a million parcels for war prisoners are prepared each month for shipment overseas, are supported by citizen-participation in the Red Cross War Fund.

So extensive is Red Cross service during this war that every American civilian can contribute something to at least one of its functions.

To continue this gigantic work, all Americans must assume their share of the responsibility of carrying on this far-reaching service.

The \$200,000,000 quota will enable Red Cross to alleviate suffering and pain at home and abroad, and to carry on its vast military welfare service.</